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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: JAPANESE DIETMEN VISIT TO TTPI

DEPT PASS TO DEFENSE OSD/ISA
INTERIOR FOR OMSN AND DOTA
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HICOMTERPACIS PASS TO STATUS LNO TRENT (SAIPAN)

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1. SOCIALIST DIETMEN HIDEO DEN AND YANOSUKE NARASAKI MADE
REMARKS ABOUT TTPI TO PRESS IN TOKYO SIMILAR TO THOSE RE-
PORTED REF B, WITH DEN EMPHASIZING THAT CLAIMS ARRANGEMENT
TO MICRONESIANS WAS BOTH INADEQUATE AND DECIDED ABOVE
HEADS OF MICRONESIANS. HE ADVOCATED INCREASED COMP-
STAION BY GOJ. COMMENTS RECEIVED MINIMAL PRESS COVERAGE.
DEN INFORMED FONOFF (NUMATA, FIRST NA DIVISION) HE
PLANNED TO BRING QUESTION UP IN LAST DIET SESSION
STRESSING MICRONESIANS' COMPLAINTS AND CALLS FOR FURTHER
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JAPANESE COMPENSATION AND, SECONDLY, MAKING INQUIRY

INTO WHAT "GOODS AND SERVICES" GOJ HAD ACTUALLY SUPPLIED
THUS FAR FOR UNDER MICRONESIAN AGREEMENT (NUMATA CONFIRMED
GOJ HAS SUPPLIED NONE.) BEACUSE OF INSUFFICIENT TIME,
DEN DID NOT BRING UP ISSUE IN DIET BUT NUMATA FULLY
EXPECTS HIM TO DO SO IN NEXT SESSION.

2. FONOFF HAS REPORT, WHICH NUMATA GAVE TO EMBASSY, FROM
FONOFF OFFICIAL (IKEDA) NOW TRAVELING IN TTPI, ASSESSING
DEN'S AND NARASAKI'S VISIT. IKEDA REPORTED THAT PALAU
WAS ESPECIALLY PRO-JAPAN AND INTERESTED IN RESTORING CLOSE
TIES (NUMATA SAID THIS RESULTED FROM GOOD GOJ ADMINISTRATION
AND CLOSE TIES BEFORE WWII). DIETMEN'S VISIT WAS
POLULAR IN PALAU ESPECIALLY SINCE THEY SUPPORTED LOCAL OPINION THAT
GOJ COMPENSATION FOR WAR DAMAGES WAS INADEQUATE AND ARRIVED
AT "WITHOUT MICRONESIAN PARTICIPATION". IKEDA SAID PALAU
SENATOR AND REPRESENTATIVE ELECTED RECENTLY WERE SPREADING
SAME LINE. PALAUANS WHO HAVE VISITED JAPAN ARE IMPRESSED
WITH ECONOMIC CONDITIONS IN JAPAN AND BELIEVE FURTHER COM-
PENSATION IS IN ORDER.

3. COMMENT: DEN'S AND NARASAKI'S ESPOUSAL OF MICRONESIANS'
CLAIMS AT NEXT DIET SESSION LIKELY TO BE LOST IN DIN OF
CRITICISM OF TANAKA GOVERNMENT ON OTHER, MORE IMPORTANT
ISSUES. NEVERTHELESS, THEY ARE LIKELY TO PERSIST IN
CALLING FOR ADDITIONAL GOJ COMPENSATION WHICH WILL AT
LEAST BE THORN IN SIDE OF FONOFF. IKEDA'S REMARKS REFLECT
GROWING INTEREST ON PART OF GOJ IN TTPI WHICH BEARS WATCHING.
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